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News

Division to sponsor five special events during May 2019

Dover Days, A Day in Old New Castle and the Zwaanendael Maritime Festival among programs to be offered. Read more ...



The life of Mary Ann Shadd Cary, a Wilmington, Del.-born abolitionist, activist, journalist and educator, will be explored at the New Castle Court House Museum on May 11, 2019.

Zwaanendael Museum's Beth Gott retires after 30 years of service

Employee helped develop many of the programs now in use at the museum.

Read more ...

Zwaanendael Museum seeks historic-site interpreter

Application deadline: April 30, 2019

Read more ...

Division seeks historic sites program manager

Position will manage programming for the State of Delaware's five museums. Application deadline: May 1, 2019 Read more ...

Zwaanendael Museum to offer tours of the British warship DeBraak

Tours explore the surviving hull section of an 18th-century shipwreck.

Read more ...

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Help Save Delaware History

Save the date!—historic preservation symposium on June 26, 2019

Day-long activities to be held at the Delaware Public Archives in Dover. Read more ...

History museums and historic sites urged to complete national survey

American Association for State and Local History survey seeks data on visitation to historic sites and organizations across the United States and Canada. **Deadline: April 30, 2019**Read more ...

Public input sought for Brandywine Creek Greenway

Public meetings and online survey seek input on a plan to preserve and enhance the natural, cultural, historic, recreational resources and trails surrounding the Brandywine Creek in Delaware. **Deadline: April 30, 2019**Read more ...

"Partners in Preservation: Planning for the Future—Delaware's Historic Preservation Plan, 2018–2022"
Document outlines six broad goals for preserving Delaware's heritage for the future.
Read more ...

Media Roundup

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

Delaware fourth graders 'Make a Splash'

Milford Beacon, Del.—April 17, 2019

Water-education program hosted by the John Dickinson Plantation and the St. Jones Reserve.

The Oldest Tourist Attraction in Every State

Reader's Digest, New York, N.Y.—April 1, 2019

Article includes a spotlight on the New Castle Court House Museum.

Archives: The story of Delaware's founding

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—March 29, 2019 Article notes colonies at Swanendael and Fort Christina.

Events

Wednesday, May 1

Hale-Byrnes Open House – Hale-Byrnes House

Saturday, May 4

<u>Dover Days at The Old State House</u> – The Old State House

Sounds of War: Patriotic Music – Johnson Victrola Museum

Sunday, May 5

Iron Hill Archaeology and Heritage Festival – Iron Hill Museum

Saturday, May 11

Mary Ann Shadd Cary, Delaware's Forgotten Daughter - New Castle Court House Museum

Daniel Morgan and the Battle of Cowpens – Hale-Byrnes House

Sunday, May 12

Hockessin Colored School - Hale-Byrnes House

Saturday, May 18

A Day in Old New Castle - Downtown New Castle

Running of the Mill – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

Saturdays, May 18 and 25

East End Lighthouse Tour – Delaware Breakwater-East End Lighthouse

Saturday, May 25

A Sailor's Life for Me - Zwaanendael Museum

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day – All museums of the State of Delaware will be open

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, go here.

Exhibits and Displays

Ongoing

Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport - Zwaanendael Museum

Drawing America to Victory: The Persuasive Power of the Arts in World War I – Online

Five Stories – John Dickinson Plantation

Letters From a Farmer in Pennsylvania - Online

New Castle: Three Forts, One Community – New Castle Court House Museum

The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976-2016 – The Old State House

The Path to Freedom: A History of the Underground Railroad in Delaware - New Castle Court House Museum

Sculpture by Charles Parks – New Castle Court House Museum

A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World – Zwaanendael Museum

Simple Machines – John Dickinson Plantation

When Janie Comes Marching Home: Women's Fight to Serve – Legislative Hall





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